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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7217

BILL NUMBER: HB 1289

NOTE PREPARED: Jan 31, 2013

BILL AMENDED: Jan 29, 2013

SUBJECT: Levee Repair and Reimbursement.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Messmer

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: 2nd Reading - 1st House

FUNDS AFFECTED: X **GENERAL**
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: Local

Summary of Legislation: (Amended) This bill requires a committee in charge of a levee to perform the maintenance of and repairs to the levee that are necessary to maintain federal certification of the levee. The bill provides that the maintenance costs shall be apportioned and assessed in the same manner as repair costs and expenses to a levee. It requires a committee in charge of a levee to apportion and assess costs of levee repairs not more than 90 days after the statement of costs and expenses for repairs is filed with the county auditor.

The bill requires that if a committee in charge of a levee: (1) has filed the statement of costs and expenses for repairs; and (2) has not reimbursed the county for the costs and expenses for repairs to the levee or apportioned and assessed the costs; the committee shall apportion and assess the costs upon the land and corporations benefitted by the repairs before September 29, 2013.

The bill also allows the county council and county executive to appoint a voting member to the committee while the county is being reimbursed for the costs and expenses for repairs to the levee.

Effective Date: July 1, 2013.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: (Revised) The fiscal impact of this bill would be dependent on individual

circumstances, whether a levee has lost federal certification, and whether a county council and a county executive would choose to appoint a voting member to a committee in charge of a levee.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: County auditors; County councils; County executives; Committees in charge of levees.

Information Sources:

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